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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action which issued in the above-identified application on January 14, 2005, requiring an election. The Examiner determined that Group I includes claims 37-69 and Group II includes claims 70-96.

Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I claims 37-69, directed to "apparatus, method and product for determining a refund", for further prosecution in the present application.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application to, if necessary, so as to proceed with the examination of the non-elected claims.

An early examination on the merits of the claims of this application are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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